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PUBLIC NOTICE OF REISSUANCE OF THE
GENERAL PESTICIDE APPLICATION PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the State of Utah's intention to reissue a Utah Pollution Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) Permit under authority of the Utah Water Pollution Control Act, Section 19-5-104(9) and 107(2), Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended. Said "permit" refers to the UPDES Permit and the Fact Sheet Statement of Basis (including Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL's)) if applicable, as per Section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA)].

PERMIT INFORMATION

NAME: GENERAL UPDES PESTICIDE APPLICATION PERMIT
PERMIT NO: UTG170000

BACKGROUND

The CWA regulates pesticide applications to surface waters. As a state delegated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to implement the CWA, Utah must implement the pesticide application requirements in the CWA and EPA's federal pesticide permit through Utah Administrative Code (UAC R317-8-9) and a UPDES pesticide permit. The reissuance of this UPDES Pesticide Permit complies with CWA and federal permit requirements for pesticide applications to surface waters of the State.

The pesticide permit allows permitted governments, quasi-governments, special service districts, canal companies, duck clubs, pesticide contractors, and other private applicators to apply pesticides to surface waters of the State when applications are in compliance with the permit. All government and quasi-government entities are required to obtain the permit, regardless of the size of application area for pest control activities. In order for private applicators to require a permit, they must meet thresholds for the size of their application areas, as specified in the permit. The new permit will cover pesticide applications for the control of: 1) mosquitos and other insect pests; 2) weed and algae; 3) nuisance animals (i.e. lampreys, mollusks, etc.); and 4) forest canopy pests.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to of the close of business on November 7, 2016. Written public comments can be submitted to: Don Hall, UPDES Storm Water Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email: dghall@utah.gov. After considering public comment, the Utah Water Quality Board may execute the permit issuance, revise it, or abandon it. The permit and associated documents are available for public review under "Public Notices" at www.waterquality.utah.gov/info/notices.htm. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Don Hall at 801-536-4492.

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